

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : L. Lloyd Williams  
For : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING ACCESS  
TO A VOICE MAIL SYSTEM  
Atty Docket No. : SWA01 P-106A

Box Patent Application  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 2327  
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(B)(1) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/995,971, filed on November 28, 2001, of L. Lloyd Williams for METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING ACCESS TO A VOICE MAIL SYSTEM.

Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed.

The attached papers are a true copy of the prior application Serial No. 09/995,971, as originally filed on November 28, 2001.

The filing fee is calculated below:

Basic Fee	\$750.00
Additional Fees	
Each independent claim in excess of three, times \$84.00	\$ 0.00
Number of claims in excess of twenty, times \$18.00	\$ 90.00
Filing multiple dependent claims per application \$280.00	\$ <u>0.00</u>
Total Filing Fee	<u>\$840.00</u>

A check in the amount of \$840 for the filing fee is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 22-0190. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Cancel in this application original claims 1-15 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

Amend the specification on page 1, paragraph [01], as follows:

~~This is the first application filed for the present invention.~~ This application is a division of United States patent application Serial No. 09/995,971, filed November 28, 2001.

New formal drawings are enclosed.

Applicants respectfully request that information cited in the prior parent application, Serial No. 09/995,971, be considered in the present application. A disclosure statement is enclosed along with copies of Forms PTO-1449 listing all of the information from the prior parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Bell Canada, of 1050 Beaver Hall Hill, Montreal, Quebec, Canada H2Z 1S4, as recorded at Reel 012329, Frame 0997, on November 28, 2001.

A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

A Patent Application Bibliographic Data Form is enclosed.

The power of attorney in the prior application is to Van Dyke, Gardner, Linn & Burkhardt, LLP, P.O. Box 888695, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49588-8695, telephone number 616/975-5500, facsimile number 616/975-5505, and the individual patent attorneys and patent agents at such patent law firm, namely, Daniel Van Dyke, Reg. No. 25 046; Donald S. Gardner, Reg. No. 25 975; Terence J. Linn, Reg. No. 30 283; Frederick S. Burkhardt, Reg. No. 29 288.

The power appears in the original papers of the prior application.

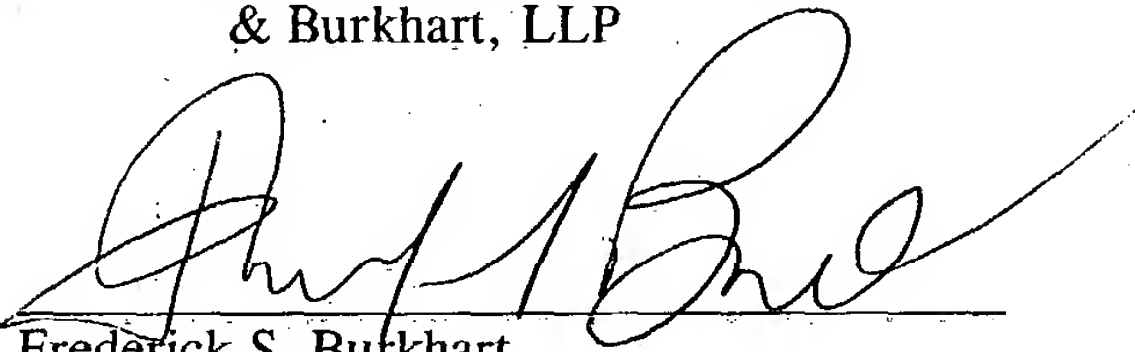
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY EXPRESS MAIL

I certify that this paper together with the attached divisional patent application comprising a Patent Application Bibliographic Data Form (1 page); Preliminary Amendment (14 pages); copy of prior application Serial No. 09/995,971, filed on November 28, 2001 (36 pages), and Declaration (37 CFR 1.63) for Utility or Design Application Using an Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76) (3 pages); copy of the Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent (1 page); eight (8) sheets of drawings (in duplicate); Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages) and Form PTO-1449 (1 sheet); cover letter (3 pages, in duplicate); check in the amount of \$840 for the filing fee and return postal card are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail in an envelope having Express Mail Mailing Label Number EV327021965US addressed to:

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